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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application)
David E. Hauber) Group Art Unit: 1732
Serial No. 09/332,420) Examiner: Unknown
Filed: June 14, 1999)
FOR: REINFORCED THERMOPLASTIC)
PIPE MANUFACTURE)

AMENDMENT BEFORE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the
originally submitted claims in the present application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1, line 5 in said claim, insert ---
solid---between "a" and "material".

Claim 7, lines 6-7 in said claim, insert
---solid---between "a" and "material".

Claim 11, lines 8-9 in said claim, insert
---solid---between "a" and "material".

Claim 18, lines 9-10 in said claim, insert
---solid--- between "a" and "material".

REMARKS

The above claim amendments are respectfully
requested to still more clearly distinguish the now
claimed invention over all subject matter either
disclosed or obviously suggested in the herein cited
prior art reference.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner
consider United States Patent No. 5,913,337, issued
June 22, 1999 to Jerry C. Williams et al as a prior art
reference in the present examination. Said prior art
reference was understandably not available to the
undersigned attorney prior to the filing date of the
present application by reasons of its subsequent
publication.

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